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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT: SCHEDULE

REF: STATE 213395

1. THERE FOLLOWS OUTLINE OF SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE IN RABAT BASED ON INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE TO US. PRECISE INFORMATION ON NOVEMBER 6 SCHEDULE, AND ON MOROCCANS WHO WILL BE AT AIRPORT AND AT NOVEMBER 6 LUNCH, CANNOT BE OBTAINED FOR THE MOMENT. KING IS HANDLING THESE MATTERS PERSONALLY AND IMPOSSIBLE PREDICT WHEN HE WILL MAKE HIS WISHES KNOWN. WE WILL, OF COURSE, PASSON ANYTHING MORE WE LEARN BUT BELIEVE IT POSSIBLE THAT WE WILL NOT GET MUCH MORE UNTIL NOVEMBER 5, IF THEN.

2. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

A. 2120: ARRIVAL AT RABAT-SALE AIRPORT. SECRETARY WILL BE GREETED BY MOROCCAN DELEGATION, PROBABLY HEADED BY PRIME OR FOREIGN MINISTER, BUT PERHAPS BY KING'S BROTHER, MOULAY ABDALLAH, AND BY AMBASSADOR NEUMANN.

B. 2125: SECRETARY INTRODUCED TO COMMANDER OF HONOR GUARD TO RIGHT OF AIRCRAFT. INSPECTS HONOR GUARD.

C. 2130: SECRETARY WALKS TO VIP LOUNGE (75 YARDS) WHERE
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DIGNITARIES AND PRESS ASSEMBLED. HE MAKES BRIEF ARRIVAL

STATEMENT TO PRESS, WHICH IS NOT ORDINARILY PERMITTED TO ASK QUESTIONS.

D. 2135: SECRETARY POSES BRIEFLY FOR PICTURES IN VIP LOUNGE WITH HEAD OF MOROCCAN DELEGATION AND AMBASSADOR NEUMANN. DURING THIS INTERVAL OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL BOARD WAITING AUTOMOBILES.

E. 2140: SECRETARY, ACCOMPANIED BY HEAD OF MOROCCAN DELEGATION AND AMBASSADOR NEUMANN, WALKS TO HIS CAR. AMBASSADOR NEUMANN LEAVES THE OTHER TWO MEN TO GO TO HIS OWN VEHICLE.

F. 2142: MOTORCADE DEPARTS FOR GUEST VILLA AND RABAT HILTON HOTEL. (SEE MOTORCADE INFORMATION IN RABAT 4817.)

G. 2200: ARRIVAL AT VILLA. HEAD OF MOROCCAN DELEGATION BIDS SECRETARY GOODBYE AND SECRETARY ENTERS VILLA. OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY JOIN SECRETARY IN VILLA, OR DEPART FOR RABAT HILTON OR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, AS APPROPRIATE. DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT THE VILLA TO THE SECRETARY AND THOSE WHO WILL JOIN HIM. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PARTY MAY EAT AT THE HILTON OR AT RESTAURANTS IN TOWN AS DESIRED. THERE ARE NO FURTHER ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE APPROXIMATELY HOW MANY PERSONS WILL DINE AT VILLA SO THAT WE MAY INFORM COOK. TABLE PRESENTLY IN PLACE WILL SEAT EIGHT AND WE MUST KNOW IN ADVANCE IF MORE SEATING CAPACITY NEEDED. WOULD SECRETARY PREFER MOROCCAN OR FRENCH MENU OR MIXTURE OF TWO?

3. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

A. 0950 (APPROXIMATE): MOROCCAN DIGNITARY, ALMOST CERTAINLY FOREIGN MINISTER AHMED TAIBI BENHIMA, ARRIVES AT VILLA TO ACCOMPANY SECRETARY TO TALKS WITH KING HASSAN II. IT IS NOT CLEAR AT THIS POINT WHETHER SECRETARY AND KING WILL MEET AT KING'S VILLA ADJACENT TO GUEST VILLA OR AT PALACE. KING HAS INDICATED THAT CONVERSATIONS WILL BE IN PART TETE-A-TETE BUT THAT SOME TIME WILL ALSO BE DEVOTED TO A LARGER MEETING, WITH MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY AND LEADING MOROCCANS
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PRESENT.

B. 1215 (APPROXIMATE): TALKS CONCLUDE AND LUNCHEON, GIVEN BY KING IN SECRETARY'S HONOR, FOLLOWS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT ALL OF OFFICIAL, AND MOST OF SECRETARY'S PARTY WILL BE INVITED AS WELL AS FEW MEMBERS OF EMBASSY STAFF AND MOROCCANS. NO OTHER MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS TO BE INVITED.

C. VENUE OF LUNCH ALSO UNKNOWN AND ARRANGEMENTS WILL VARY GREATLY DEPENDING ON WHETHER TALKS ARE HELD AT PALACE OR VILLA AND ON WHETHER TETE-A-TETE PRECEDES OR FOLLOWS LARGER MEETING. IF TALKS ARE AT VILLA AND LUNCH AT PALACE, THERE WILL PROBABLY BE INTERVAL BEFORE THE LUNCH, AND MOROCCAN DIGNITARY, PRESUMABLY FOREIGN MINISTER BENHIMA, AND AMBASSADOR WILL PRESUMABLY COME TO VILLA TO ACCOMPANY SECRETARY TO PALACE. IF TALKS ARE AT PALACE, HOWEVER, SECRETARY MAY GO DIRECTLY IN TO LUNCH. MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL EITHER GO DIRECTLY TO LUNCH, OR PROCEED TO PALACE FROM VILLA OR HOTEL AS SITUATION DICTATES.

D. 1345 (APPROXIMATE): SECRETARY BIDS GOODBYE TO KING AND IS ACCOMPANIED TO HIS CAR BY LEADING MOROCCAN DIGNITARY, PRESUMABLY FOREIGN MINISTER BENHIMA, AND AMBASSADOR NEUMANN. OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL PROCEED TO CARS WHILE FAREWELL IS TAKING PLACE.

E. 1350: DEPARTURE FOR AIRPORT.

F. 1405: ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT. MOROCCAN DIGNITARY, PRESUMABLY FOREIGN MINISTER BENHIMA, AND AMBASSADOR NEUMANN ACCOMPANY SECRETARY TO VIP LOUNGE. AT THIS POINT, SECRETARY MAY WISH TO MAKE DEPARTURE STATEMENT AND/OR HOLD BRIEF PRESS CONFERENCE. WHILE SECRETARY IS IN VIP LOUNGE, OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL BOARD AIRCRAFT.

G. ACTION REQUESTED. PLEASE ADVISE SECRETARY'S WISHES WITH RESPECT TO STATEMENT AND/OR PRESS CONFERENCE.

H. 1410: SECRETARY REVIEWS HONOR GUARD TO RIGHT OF AIRFIELD AND BIDS GOODBYE TO CAPTAIN OF GUARD, THEN BIDS GOODBYE TO MOROCCAN DIGNITARY, PRESUMABLY FOREIGN MINISTER
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BENHIMA, AND AMBASSADOR NEUMANN AND BOARDS AIRCRAFT.

I. 1415: DEPARTURE FOR CAIRO.
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